

The Office of Information Technology (OIT) is pleased to inform you of the upcoming IMS Federal Appeals Release 6.6 which will be available on September 2, 2014. The following are some enhancements that are included in the release. Attached is a document detailing all the changes to the Federal Appeal application:

Appeal Federal agency list is now synchronized with OPM agency list. Federal agency sub-components can now be identified for an appeal's agency, by choosing from a list of sub-components for the selected Agency (SCR 5676)

Appeal forms & letters generated by IMS Federal Appeals are automatically uploaded to the IMSNXG Documents Module for Federal Appeals (SCR 4517)

In the New Appeal module restrictions have been imposed on the Hearings Number (Case Type 07) field. The Hearings Number must be entered in its exact format, with or without dashes (dashes are automatically added if not entered) (SCR 5567).

The Priority Code drop-down list has been renamed 'Special Emphasis Code' and has the following values (SCR 5677):

- A -Amount of Attorneys Fees
- B -Breach of Settlement Appeals
- C1 -Individual claim in abeyance pending class outcome
- C2 -Class Certification
- C3 -Objections to a class action settlement
- D -Amount of compensatory damages
- FS1-Alleges agency did not inform employees of EEO rights
- FS2-Alleges defective ant-harassment program
- FS3-Alleges defective reasonable accommodation program
- FS4-Evidence in file of improper agency policy or practice
- FS5-Request for program evaluation or onsite

A 'Completed Categories' checkbox has been placed on the Info Tab to indicate that the SEP/FCP/Processing Category assessment has been completed (SCR 5680).

The 'Class' checkbox, which was only displayed on the Info Tab, has been added to the 'New Appeal' screen. It is an editable field which can be checked or unchecked (SCR 5684).

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<http://insite.eeoc.gov/OIT/app-ims.cfm>